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Delle Fire Continues to Smoke.

Recent reports of fires in the Skull Valley area have turned out to be smoke from the 2010 Delle fire. The human caused Delle fire that started on June 15th, 2010 is located in the middle of a bird refuge area in the north end of Skull Valley, south of I-80. Due to the location of the fire, there has been limited use of large fire equipment, but suppression efforts made by firefighters from the BLM's Muskrat Fire Station, and Salt Lake Helitack, and the local VFD allowed the fire to be controlled to the wetlands area. The BLM has continued to monitor any activity within the area to ensure the fire stays within the control area.

We are advising locals that this fire will continue to smoke throughout this summer. If you are concerned that a new fire has started we request you contact Northern Utah Interagency Fire Center at 801-908-1900.

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